

Real Estate taxes are used by the City of Bangor to help pay for the services provided to the City's residents and to the visitors who come here.

Those services include but are not limited to Police and Fire protection, Public Works, Parks and Recreation programs, and Health and Welfare services.

Real Estate taxes are calculated based upon the assessed value of the land and buildings within the City limits multiplied by a mill rate set by the Bangor City Council.

The assessed value is determined by the City Assessing Department and is fixed as of April 1st of each year. This means that whatever property is located in Bangor on April 1st and whomever the Assessing Department has as owning that property is responsible for any taxes assessed to that property until the next April 1st. If you sell or transfer your property you must make sure that the new owners pay the taxes. If they do not, under Title 36 of the Maine Tax Statutes, the City would be required to notify you by certified mail and possibly file a lien, in your name, at the Penobscot Registry of Deeds. Prorating taxes between a buyer and seller does not change the name a lien is filed in. It must be filed in the name of the person who was originally assessed the taxes. Please be aware of this if you decide to sell your property.

The City's Tax Year runs along with its Fiscal Year, which is July 1 to June 30.

We are currently into our Fiscal Year 2003. Which runs from July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003. The taxes were committed on July 9, 2002, with due dates of September 16, 2002 and March 17, 2003.

The current mill rate is \$23.60 per thousand of assessed value.

The interest rate charged on late taxes is 8.75%. This rate is determined by the State each year.

If you have not received a tax bill yet please call us at 945-4400 and ask for the Treasury Department.